GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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AIR SERVICES FROM BHOPAL TO JABALPUR
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has requestedthe Government to extend air services from Bhopal upto Jabalpur and connect Madhya Pradesh with South India particularly Hyderabad and Chennai by air;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) and (c): Yes, Sir. Government of Madhya Pradesh has taken up the case for operating Delhi-Raipur-Jabalpur-Bhopal services. Indian Airlines introduced Jabalpur-Bhopal link from July, 1999 by operation ofa twice weekly DO-228 service on Delhi-Jabalpur-Bhopal and vice-versa route. Jabalpur-Bhopallink was withdrawn due to introduction of Delhi-Gwalior-Jabalpur and vice-versa DO-228 service as part of route restructuring w.e.f. November, 1999. Alliance Air introduced a Bhopal-South Indialink by operation of a twice weekly B-737 service on Chennai-Nagpur-Bhopal and vice-versa route from March, 2000. The service was withdrawn from August, 2000 due to poor passenger response.